

Substitute for Form 1449 A & B/PTO

Complete if Known

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

DEC 27 2005

use as many sheets as necessary)

1

of

1

Application Number	10/025,821
Confirmation Number	4266
Filing Date	December 26, 2001
First Named Inventor	Satoshi SHINADA
Art Unit	2853
Examiner Name	Leonard S. Liang
Attorney Docket Number	Q67781

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)		
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Translation ⁶
		Country Code ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)			
LSL	1	Japan	2000-218818	A	08/08/2000	SEIKO EPSON CORP.	Yes (Corresponds to EP 1 004 449 A2 11/26/1999; Applicant: Seiko Epson Corporation)
LSL		Japan	2001-253087	A	09/18/2001	Hewlett-Packard Company	Yes (Corresponds to EP 1 122078 A2 01/31/2001; Applicant: Hewlett-Packard Company)
LSL		Japan	11-58765	A	03/02/1999	SEIKO EPSON CORP.	Machine Translation
LSL		WO	98/52762	A2	11/26/1998	ENCAD, INC.	
LSL		EP	1 004 449	A2	05/31/2000	SEIKO EPSON CORP.	
LSL		EP	1 1222 078	A2	08/08/2001	HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY	

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	Translation ⁶

Examiner Signature

Leonard Liang

Date Considered

01/04/05

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov, MPEP 901.04 or in the comment box of this document. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to indicate here if English language Translation is attached.